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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98

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JP 2001-226439 was cited in a Japanese Office Action for counterpart Japanese Patent Application No. 2004-209935 dated June 5, 2007, copy attached.

Additionally, in compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits an English language Abstract for JP 2001-226439. Also, in compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant states that U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2001/0020064 A1 corresponds to JP 2001-226439.

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